IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

TANIGUCHI et al.

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MAGNETIC RESONANCE IMAGER

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Exr.: Arana, Louis M

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

MS: AMENDMENT

May 19, 2009

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Facsimile:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within a one-month time period subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed January 23, 2009. An electronic payment in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is being concurrently submitted.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 520.46403X00) and any excess fees credited to that account.

Respectfully submitted, ANTONELLI, TERRY, STOUT & KRAUS, LLP

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